Certificate of
Perpetual Membership
in the

CONFRATERNITY OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

is granted to

James Benedict Malabanan

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by
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Provincial Director

The CONFRATERNITY OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY brings its members under the special protection of Our Lady, QUEEN OF THE ROSARY, and places their spiritual welfare in her hands. Too, it enables them to share in the Masses, Prayers, Acts of Penance and Apostolic works of over 100,000 members of the Family of St. Dominic. To this is added the prayers of hundreds of thousands of members of the Rosary Confraternity throughout the world who pray for one another.

Speaking of this, Pope Leo XIII wrote: *"Whenever a person fulfills his obligation of reciting the Rosary according to the rule of the Confraternity, he includes in his intentions all its members, and they in turn render him the same service multiplied many times over."* The Confraternity asks its members to pray the entire Rosary each week. This does not bind under sin.

Since the Holy Father has recently added the five luminous mysteries, it would seem that members of the Confraternity should strive to include that extra weekly Rosary. Those who recite only the fifteen traditional mysteries will continue to share in the benefits of the Confraternity until some official source declares the contrary.

Commenting on the great fruitfulness of the Rosary devotion, and on the "healing power" it possesses for the ills of society, the same Pope added: *"these advantages will be secured in a higher and fuller measure by those who band themselves together in the Confraternity of the Rosary, and who are thus more than others united by a special and brotherly bond of devotion to the Most Holy Virgin. They are, so to speak, the batallions which fight the battle for Christ, armed with His sacred mysteries and under the banner and guidance of the Heavenly Queen."*

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